

Criminological Aspects of Crime Recidivism

The Diploma Thesis

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Abstract

The main goal of the Diploma Thesis „Criminological Aspects of Crime Recidivism“ is analysing recidivism, which is considered to be one of the most important criminal factors. We can analyse recidivism based on the criminal law, penology, criminal statistics and mainly criminology. The Criminological aspect is the widest one, because it focuses on the all crimes committed by the offender, not only those crimes which were investigated by Police or the prosecutors. We will also theoretically describe all statistic sources where the recidivism has been recorded, but mainly we will analyse practically the statistical data of The Prison Service of the Czech Republic and the data of the Police of the Czech Republic where we could find out the actual rate of recidivism in the Czech Republic. The data of the Prison Service contain mainly the offenders which are imprisoned repeatedly for more than once. The data of Police are focused on type of crimes which have the highest rate of recidivism and whose are committed repeatedly by the offenders. This thesis also tries to analyse recidivism based on the historical development of the Czech legislation on recidivism starting since 1918 till nowadays. This thesis also tries to describe main characteristic of the offender who tends to the recidivism. Last but not least it is important to focus on the means of prevention of the recidivism, which should be the main scope of the criminal policy of the state. The prevention should be done within the frame of criminal policy by the Prison Service of the Czech Republic, the Probation and Mediation Service and then also by several projects of non-profit institutions. Most of the used sources in the Diploma thesis are the researches of the Institute for the Criminology and the Social Prevention, then the crime legislation and related case laws. The very important source of the prevention is the Conception of the Prison Service till 2025 which was created in cooperation of the Ministry of Justice, Prison Service, Probation and Mediation Service and the others in 2016.